



# A BRIGHTER DAY OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

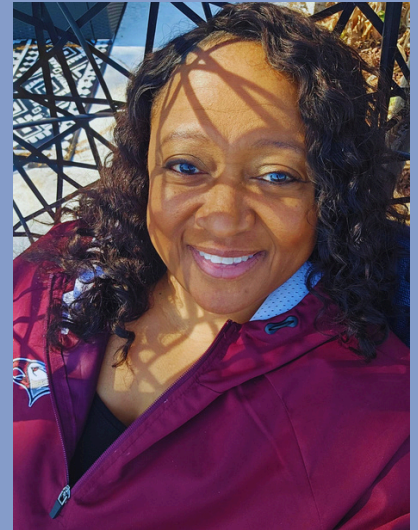
## Closing Out March with Gratitude & Exciting Plans Ahead!

As another month comes to an end, we want to take a moment to reflect on the impact we've made together. Thanks to your continued support, we've been able to provide food, education, and resources to families in need while laying the groundwork for even greater things ahead.

This month, we've strengthened our Community Food Pantry, empowered young voices through the Break Every Chain Authors & Illustrators Program, and taken big steps toward expanding our reach with a new Community HUB. We're also working on bringing in a Mental Health Professional, expanding AED/CPR training, and launching new opportunities in our Computer Lab.

There's so much more to share! Keep reading to learn about our latest programs, upcoming events, and ways you can get involved in making a difference. Thank you for being part of our mission—together, we are building a brighter future for our community!

With gratitude,  
A Brighter Day Outreach Team



### ***A Brighter Day Outreach: Building a Brighter Future in 2025!***

As we move through 2025, A Brighter Day Outreach remains committed to expanding our programs and deepening our impact in the Historic Hoskins, Thomasboro and nearby communities. With the support of donors, volunteers, and partners, we are focusing on key areas to empower families and create lasting change:

- ✓ Community Food Pantry – Serving more than 400 families monthly, providing food and toiletry items to families in need and working to expand our reach through funding and partnerships.
- ✓ Break Every Chain Program – Supporting students at Thomasboro Academy with mentorship, resources, and guidance to help them stay on the right path.
- ✓ Give-Back Program – Hosting monthly events to distribute essential supplies and connect families with valuable resources.
- ✓ Computer Lab – Offering job training, resume assistance, and technology access to help individuals gain essential skills.
- ✓ Mental Health Room – Providing a safe space for de-escalation, counseling, and emotional support.

# OUR INITIATIVES

## Fighting Hunger Together: A Brighter Day Outreach Food Pantry




At A Brighter Day Outreach, we believe no one should have to choose between food and other basic needs. Our Community Food Pantry provides essential non-perishable food items twice a week (Tuesdays & Thursdays) to families in Historic Hoskins, Thomasboro, and surrounding communities.

We are grateful for our partnerships with Feeding Charlotte and Our Daily Bread Ministries, whose support helps us reach more families facing food insecurity. We also appreciate Carolina Farm Trust for their weekly food donations, no matter how small—every contribution makes a difference!




Together, we are building a stronger, more food-secure community—one meal at a time. If you or someone you know needs assistance, or if you'd like to support our pantry, reach out today!



### How You Can Help:

-  **Donate Food & Supplies** – Non-perishable items, and hygiene essentials are always needed.
-  **Volunteer** – Help us sort, pack, and distribute food to families in need.
-  **Give a Gift** – Every donation helps us keep our pantry stocked and continue serving the community.

With these new partnerships and your continued support, we are building a stronger, healthier community—one meal at a time. Thank you for being part of the solution!

-  **Location:** A Brighter Day Outreach Community Food Pantry
-  **Weekly Distribution:** Tuesdays/Thursdays (12:00 NOON to 6:00 PM)
-  **Contact Us:** 704-612-6390

Food Pantry Donation QR Code



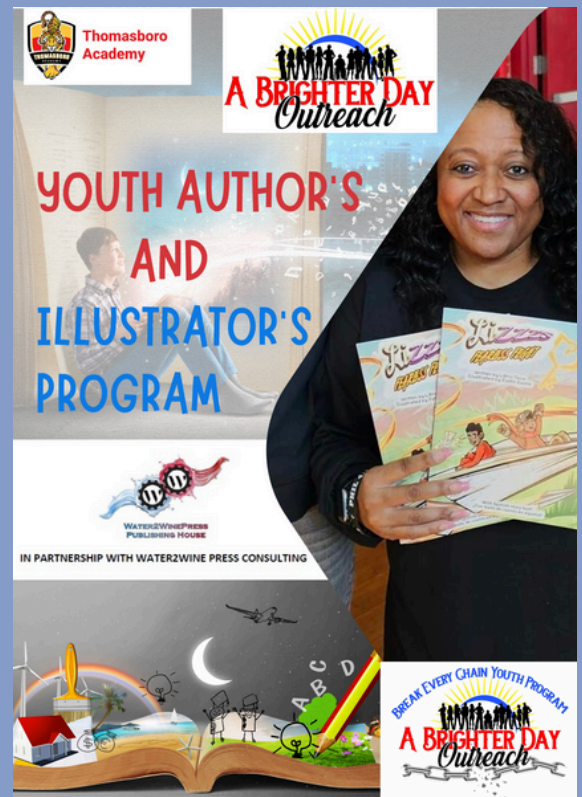


## Break Every Chain Youth Authors & Illustrators Program

The Break Every Chain Youth Authors & Illustrators Program empowers 2nd–5th grade students to become published authors and illustrators. This program nurtures creativity, literacy, and self-expression by guiding students through the process of writing, illustrating, and publishing their own books.

With the support of teachers, art instructors, and publishing professionals, students gain valuable storytelling and artistic skills while building confidence and a sense of accomplishment. Their published work not only showcases their talents but also inspires their peers and the community.

By giving youth a platform to share their voices, we are breaking barriers, fostering creativity, and shaping the next generation of storytellers.



## Break Every Chain Program: Empowering Our Youth

A Brighter Day Outreach's Break Every Chain Program is dedicated to disrupting the school-to-prison pipeline by providing at-risk youth with the mentorship, support, and resources they need to succeed. Through a combination of academic support, life skills training, and emotional development, we equip students with the tools to break free from systemic barriers and create a path toward a brighter future.

Our program focuses on positive reinforcement, educational enrichment, and leadership development, ensuring that youth in Historic Hoskins, Thomasboro, and surrounding communities have access to safe spaces, role models, and opportunities for growth. By investing in their potential today, we are helping to build a stronger, more resilient community for tomorrow.





# EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

## Reverse Give-Back: Community Helping Community



We are grateful for the unwavering support of our volunteers, community partners, and donors who make our Community Food Pantry possible. Through our Reverse Give-Back Program, these dedicated individuals provide the help needed to organize and sustain our food distribution efforts, ensuring families in Historic Hoskins, Thomasboro, and surrounding communities receive essential food items twice a week.

Their generosity, time, and effort allows us to serve more families efficiently, creating a true community-driven initiative. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who plays a role in keeping our food pantry running and making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

## A Brighter Day Outreach at Labor of Love - March 22, 2025

A Brighter Day Outreach was honored to be a vendor at the Labor of Love event on March 22, 2025! This incredible gathering allowed us to connect with the community, share our mission, and highlight the impactful programs we offer.

We loved meeting so many amazing individuals and spreading awareness about our Community HUB, Food Pantry, Break Every Chain Program, and more. Engaging in meaningful conversations about how we can continue making a difference was truly inspiring.

We were also thrilled to meet the founder of the event, former NBA Charlotte Hornets player Muggsy Bogues, and we look forward to working with the Bogues Family Foundation in the near future!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who stopped by our booth to learn more, show support, and connect with us. Together, we are building a stronger, brighter future for our community!



# WHAT'S NEW?

## The A Brighter Day Outreach New Podcast episodes are out!



Episode 6

<https://youtu.be/kuMfUP2BU9U>

Episode 7

<https://youtu.be/QiKwcv82dk>

The A Brighter Day Outreach Podcast is officially live! Join us as we dive into real conversations about youth empowerment, mental health, community development, and the power of giving back. Each episode features inspiring stories, expert insights, and impactful discussions that highlight the work we're doing to create a stronger, more connected community.

Don't miss out! Watch and listen to our latest episodes, and be sure to subscribe so you never miss an update. Your support helps us amplify these important conversations and drive meaningful change.

 Listen now and be inspired!

<https://www.youtube.com/@abrighterdayoutreach>

## Celebrating Our Social Media Manager, Elvis, on Completing Training!



A Brighter Day Outreach is proud to recognize Elvis, our dedicated Social Media Manager, for successfully completing his training! His hard work and commitment to learning new strategies will help us enhance our online presence, engage with our community, and share our mission more effectively.

With Elvis at the helm, we look forward to expanding our reach, increasing awareness of our programs, and strengthening connections with our supporters. Thank you, Elvis, for your dedication—your skills will make a lasting impact on our organization and the communities we serve!



# UPCOMING INITIATIVES

## Join Us for the Celebration of Kings Block Party!



A Brighter Day Outreach invites you to our Celebration of Kings Block Party—a community event dedicated to uplifting, empowering, and celebrating the men and boys in our community!

This event was created after recognizing that strong, present men were not always being celebrated, while also acknowledging the need for encouragement where fathers, mentors, and male role models may be absent. No matter the circumstances, this celebration honors them all.

Join us for a day filled with food, music, games, and activities for the whole family. Come together in fun, fellowship, and recognition as we highlight the strength, leadership, and positive impact of the Kings in our community.

We can't wait to see you there! Bring your family, bring your friends, and let's celebrate our Kings!

## Giving Back to Our Community – April 26, 2025

On April 26, A Brighter Day Outreach will host another impactful Give-Back Event, continuing our mission to support families in need. Thanks to our dedicated volunteers and community partners, we'll be distributing essential resources to ensure that no one in our community goes without.

These events are a reminder that when we come together, we create lasting change. We're grateful for everyone who helps make this possible and look forward to another successful day of giving back!

## Join Us for the Historic Hoskins Parade & Festival!



A Brighter Day Outreach is excited to invite you to the Historic Hoskins Parade & Festival—a day of community pride, culture, and celebration in partnership with the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group!

Join us for a vibrant parade, live entertainment, delicious food, local vendors, games, and family-friendly activities as we come together to celebrate the rich history and spirit of Historic Hoskins and surrounding neighborhoods.

This event is more than just a celebration—it's an opportunity to honor our past, embrace our present, and build a brighter future together. We can't wait to see you there!

# Help Us Pay Off the A Brighter Day Outreach HUB

March 2025

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Our Capital Campaign has made incredible progress, but we still need your support to reach our goal and fully pay off the A Brighter Day Outreach HUB. This vital space allows us to serve families in need, host community programs, and create brighter futures for everyone we touch.

We're calling on our community to help us close the gap. Every donation, no matter the size, brings us closer to sustaining this safe, welcoming space for years to come.

Together, we can ensure the HUB remains a cornerstone of hope and support. Please consider donating today and being part of this life-changing mission!

### Take a Tour of the A Brighter Day Community HUB

<https://youtu.be/wnlvrs8oEjg?si=Z9AOfXcWFNpwKqQ>



## Support A Brighter Day Outreach – Help Us Build a Stronger Community!

A Brighter Day Outreach is committed to serving families, empowering youth and strengthening our community—but we can't do it alone. We need your support to continue our work and expand our impact.

Right now, we are facing a critical need to cover the **\$172,000 cost for the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County Residential to Commercial Change of Use and ADA compliance** for our Community HUB and Food Pantry. These upgrades are essential to ensuring we can safely and effectively serve more families with vital resources like food assistance, youth programs, senior programs and community services.

Your donation, no matter the size, makes a difference! Every contribution brings us one step closer to meeting this goal and continuing to be a beacon of hope for those in need.

Join us in making a lasting impact—donate today and help us create a brighter future for Charlotte's families!



## Support Our Community Initiatives – We Need Your Help!



As the weather warms up, our homeless families need essential hygiene items, including washcloths, soap, combs, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and hand sanitizer. Your donations can make a real difference in helping those in need maintain their dignity and well-being.

We're also gearing up for our Celebration of Kings Auction and Community Incentives Program—and we need your help! If you or your business can donate auction gifts or incentive items, we'd love your support in making these initiatives a success.

Additionally, we're working alongside the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group, which recently celebrated its 4th year of service to the community, to complete the Historic Hoskins Community Identity Project. Only four entryway signs remain to complete—two for Historic Hoskins Community and one each for North Hoskins and South Hoskins. Let's come together to preserve and uplift our community's identity!

And don't forget—our Campaign to Keep Our Community Clean! Stay tuned for ways to get involved and help keep our neighborhoods beautiful.

Every contribution counts—let's make an impact together!



## WANT TO SHOP AND DROP OFF?



**Your shopping trip can brighten someone's day!**



Purchase essentials and drop them off at our donation center to support those in need. Together, we can create a wave of positivity and make a real impact in our community!

*Where to Find and Contact Us:*  
**510 Sinclair Street, Charlotte, NC 28208**  
**(704) 612-6390**

Let's turn each trip into a chance to make a difference!